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CHINESE INCOME TAX OBJECTIONS

Strongly Worded Petition From Chamber Of Commerce Appeal To Members Of Councils

(By Margaret Bradbury)
Strongly worded letters, urging Government to postpone the introduction of income tax to the Colony will reach all Chinese representatives on the Executive and Legislative Councils this morning when the Chinese Chamber of Commerce will hold a special meeting yesterday to discuss the subject.

The letter, which takes the form of a petition, is signed by Mr. Tung Chung Wai, Chairman of the Chamber, which has a total membership of 8,000.

After the meeting yesterday, when members deliberated for over four hours, a sub-committee was set up to deal with any matters which might arise in connection with the proposed taxation.

After making an unfavourable statement on the introduction of income tax to the Colony Mr. Tung told me: "Following the liberation of the Colony, the merchants at least, had to see their way to recovering great wartime losses. So far they are not yet back on their feet, and it is plain that the resumption of the Colony's trade is not yet in full swing. The majority of the merchants here have had to rebuild their homes, re-establish their business, and generally start everything anew. The cost of living is very high at present and the people have not got a sound personal budget for their expenses. If the further burden of taxation is imposed upon them, they will find living increasingly difficult."

Mr. Tung particularly emphasized the following three points—1. If the "White collar" class cannot see their way to a steady economic way of life the efficiency of their work will accordingly be interrupted; 2. If employers have to give subsidy to their workers owing to present high living costs, they would have to support a heavier burden than now; 3. If the employers cannot see their way to giving this subsidy then they would have to reduce the number of staffs, thereby causing the question of unemployment to arise.

Mr. Tung pointed out that the people were not certain of their livelihood to-day and might be driven to all sorts of misdemeanours in order to live.

Effect On Trade

"I do not doubt," he said, "that this new taxation would bar the opportunity of revival of Hong Kong trade. With regard to the new system of book-keeping to be enforced throughout the Colony, although it is a good idea, it would cause a lot of trouble among the Chinese firms because of their age-long habits. I suggest that instead of asking firms to change their book-keeping system, it might be practicable for the Government to employ assessment officers who know both the old and the new systems of book-keeping. This would lessen the difficulty on the part of the merchants."

"If income tax must be levied," said Mr. Tung, "the Government must take into consideration the increased cost of living which has risen five or six times its pre-war standard. Accordingly the amount of income on which tax is levied should be raised about five or six times."

Pointing out that during the occupation goods in the godowns which were taken away by the Japanese amounted to about 40 million dollars, Mr. Tung said he thought that the Government might consult the owners and ask them to contribute a sum for the reconstruction work of the Colony by using Government bonds. The Government would account for the bonds by taking reparation from Japan.

Flight Of Capital?

During the meeting, Mr. Kwok Chan, Vice-Chairman, said that in 1941 Government considered the introduction of income tax to the Colony but due to the universal opposition of the people the subject was dropped.

ATTACKED BY "GHOSTS"

Manda, Mar. 10.
The "Manda Bulletin" reports that a crazed 19-year-old Filipino skipped out a boat knife while riding a bus—to defend himself against "ghosts" attempting to strangle him—and killed his fellow passengers, killing six and wounding ten.

A young man he killed was an ex-convict and had her two-year-old son. The tragedy occurred on the bus was entering San Sebastian in Baros Sur province—United Press.

Old Love Letter Jailed Him

Bristol, Mar. 9.
A year-old love letter landed Jack A. Bryan, 19-year-old American sailor from Brighton, Alabama, back in gaol today.

Bryan escaped on Saturday morning from the naval detention barracks in Grosvenor Square, London, and made straight for his girl-friend's home, 120 miles away, in Bristol. But he forgot about an old envelope with a half-erased address on the back of it.

The address was of the girl he fell in love with when his ship was at Avonmouth Docks, Bristol, a year ago. American naval police, however, remembered the old envelope taken from Bryan when he was first arrested and they telephoned the Bristol police.

When sailor Bryan knocked at his girl friend's door in Bristol a few hours later, Detective-Constable Phillip Warner was waiting for him with handcuffs.—United Press.

BOLIVIAN ELECTIONS

La Paz, Bolivia, Mar. 9.
The Bolivian Congress today proclaimed Doctor Enrique Hertzog President and Doctor Mamerto Urrutia Gaitan, Vice-President for 1947 to 1951.

As Doctor Hertzog failed to secure an absolute majority in the presidential election in January, over his opponent Doctor Luis Guachalla, Congress had to decide between them.—Reuter.

Sun Returns To Britain

London, Mar. 9.
A day of brilliant spring-like sunshine in southern England and the highest temperature for two months gave hope today that the end of the snow spell, which has brought the country's industrial life to a near standstill, is now in sight.

In London, the day was the warmest since Jan. 18 and at 3.00 p.m. (GMT) the temperature was 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

Generally, London has been five degrees warmer than yesterday and the thermometer has never sunk below 36 degrees.

At the university town of Cambridge, 48 miles from London, the thermometer went up to 64 degrees. However, more snow was reported from the north of England and a vicious blizzard swept Yorkshire.

After last weekend's predicted thaw had turned out to be the worst blizzard of the winter, the Air Ministry today were cautious about expressing a forecast of "outlook."

The most they would say was that "mild conditions are expected to spread across all southern districts, preceded by a period of snow, sleet or rain."

In spite of the sun, roads were still dangerous today over wide areas of the country, snow giving way to equally dangerous slush.

The Great North Road—main trunk route between London and Scotland—which was cut in many places by snow last week, is now open again throughout its length.—Reuter.

TANI TO DIE

Nanking, Mar. 10.
Japanese Lieutenant-General Tani—charged with responsibility for the rape of Nanking in 1937, was sentenced to death this afternoon by a Chinese military tribunal.—Reuter.

H.K. Man's Search For Japanese Girl

Tokyo, Mar. 10.
A Hong Kong resident has written to one of Tokyo's leading newspapers to find his Japanese girl whom he met in Hong Kong in 1943.

In a letter which SCAP censorship cleared before delivery by regular post office channels to the newspaper, the Hong Kong man wrote on Feb. 2, 1947, asking the newspaper to make every endeavour to find the girl, Masuko Matsuda of Kobe "whom I call Mabel."

He even enclosed US\$5.00 so the paper could carry "several" insertions and also some insertions in a Kobe newspaper.

He wrote "my request is urgent—almost desperate."

A representative of the newspaper said "This man apparently does not know it costs nearly 300 yen for a single advertisement insertion in Japanese newspapers today under present inflation-hit Japan. However, I suppose we will carry the insertions because it is for a someone find his girl friend."

(Under the official military conversion rate of 15 yen to US\$1.00 five dollars would amount to only 75 yen.)

The man told the newspaper "I am sorry there are no deep cause in trying to help."

General Strike In Malaya?

Singapore, Mar. 9.
Forecast of a general strike of Malayan labour unless the jailed Kedah Indians are released was made yesterday by Mr. A.N. Samy, leader of the 26,000 estate labourers and Vice-President of the Kedah Federation of Trade Unions.

Asked whether he and the Pan-Malayan Trade Union were influential enough to call a general strike, Mr. Samy said: "Time will show."

Several trade union investigators are at present visiting Kedah. Among them is the Chairman of the Federation, Mr. S.A. Ganapathy. He will be leaving soon for the Inter-Asian Conference at New Delhi.

Fifty-nine Indian labourers and three Indian women were sent to prison and two other Indian women were fined at Sungai Patani, in central Kedah on March 4 for unlawful assembly at Bukit Sembilan, where pepper and boiling water were used in a fierce clash between police and labourers the previous day.

Several clashes have been reported from Kedah recently, following the taking over by green-uniformed labourers of some rubber estates.

Fifty-nine labourers were sentenced to six months' hard labour, three women to one month's hard labour and the other two women were fined \$50, or one month's simple imprisonment.

Seventeen of the men pleaded guilty, the rest claiming trial.—Reuter.

Round-Up Of Terrorists

Jerusalem, Mar. 10.
British troops and police in a swift clean-up today seized 20 suspects in their search for the Jewish underground members who attacked the British Army camp at Hedera on Sunday killing one soldier and seriously wounding six.

It was the second Jew terrorist raid on the camp, located south of Haifa near the coast, as the underground carried its offensive against the British Army into the second week.

One hundred other Jews were detained in Tel-Aviv on Sunday following an underground raid on the British military headquarters there in which five were killed.—United Press.

Woman Murdered

Tel Aviv, Mar. 9.
A 40-year-old Jewish police-woman named Khadia Mizrahi, was murdered by an unknown gunman in Rehovoth, near Tel Aviv, last night.

Her body was riddled with eight bullets.

An 18-year-old Jewess, Esther Tawneh, was shot at and seriously wounded by a military guard in Tel Aviv today. She failed to turn back when challenged at the barbed wire barrier in Carmel Street, the Public Information Office said.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER

The anticyclone over China, Japan and the neighbouring seas is weakening, pressure being highest over the Lower Yangtze. A trough of low pressure extends from the Kuriles to the Bonins. Pressure is falling over Manchuria and a small depression is developing in the N. of Peking.

Today's Forecast—Fresh E and NE winds, mainly cloudy, rather milder.

Yesterday's Weather—

Maximum	60.0 deg. Fah.
Minimum	52.1 deg. Fah.
Rainfall	10.4 hours.
Rainfall Mt. Total since Jan. 1944	mm.
as against an average of 101.5 mm.	
Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.	
Baro. at m.s.l.	1027.0 1021.8 mb.
at sea level	1028.8 1023.6 mb.
Rel. Humidity	54 44 %
Wind direction	45 47 deg. E.
Wind force	4 23 mph.
Wind velocity	5 14 knots.

NEW TELEGRAM RATES

Shanghai, Mar. 10.
The Chinese Government Radio Administration today announced new rates for radiograms of all classes to places outside of China, representing an increase of about 100 per cent.

It is said that this has been rendered necessary by the recent revision of the foreign exchange rate. Hong Kong and domestic rates are unchanged.—Reuter.

AMERICANS IN HAIFA COURT

Jerusalem, Mar. 9.
Twenty of the crew—including 18 Americans—of the Jewish illegal immigrant ship Abriel, which reached Haifa last night with 600 men, women and children on board, will appear before the Haifa magistrate's court tomorrow charged with "aiding and abetting" illegal immigration.

All but three of the immigrants were today transhipped without incident to two ships which have left for Cyprus.—Reuter.

Police Chief Arrested

Paris, Mar. 9.
Armand Fournet, Paris Police Commissioner who raised the French flag over the Police Prefecture in the fighting for the liberation of Paris, was arrested today on a charge of having disclosed confidential information to Joseph Joanowicz, thereby allowing him to escape from justice.

Joanowicz is a Russian by birth who served during the war in the police resistance group known as "Honneur et Police", led by Fournet.

The police declined to disclose why they are now searching for Joanowicz.

In announcing the arrest of Fournet, police officials recalled that he was one of the outstanding figures of the French Resistance, and was credited with having attacked and destroyed a German "Tiger" tank single-handed during the battle of Paris.—Reuter.

Empire Trade Talks

London, Mar. 10.
The future of imperial Preference will figure largely in talks beginning in London tomorrow between delegations from Britain, the Dominions, India, Burma, Ceylon and other parts of the Empire.

They will give a clearer and more up-to-date reaction to the strong moves, principally from the United States, for a considerable reduction or elimination of these preferential tariffs as part of the world trade plan.

The talks will be exploratory, leaving each country free to act as it sees fit at Geneva where the second session of the United Nations conference on trade and employment opens on April 10.

An attempt to produce a common policy there will only be made. It is suggested, if tomorrow's talks show virtual unanimity, if divergencies are shown, the delegations will agree to differ. The talks will be strictly private.—Reuter.

Sabotage Of Plane In Mid-Air?

Rome, Mar. 9.
The English language Rome daily, "American," reported today that a member of Egypt's Royal Family who came to Italy to investigate the crash of the Italian military plane at Terracina on Feb. 15 "is convinced it was exploded in midair by a bomb."

Quoting informed sources, the "American" said Prince Ibrahim Farouk, relative of King Farouk, had "indicated that certain persons hoped to prevent the plane from reaching its true destination" and said the Prince "stated flatly and secret" that he was "unauthorized and against" the disposal of several million lire left here by the ex-King.

The newspaper also said Prince Farouk allegedly came to Italy on King Farouk's personal order. Princess Amina Ahmed Barakat, also a relative of Egypt's King, was killed in the crash with 19 others.

The "American" said in the newspaper, said Mrs. Ambron had in her possession a complete report on the distribution of funds when the plane crashed.—United Press.

ATTLEE CABINET RESHUFFLE?

London, Mar. 10.
Prime Minister Attlee, on the eve of the toughest test his Government has had to meet in the House of Commons, went before his Parliamentary Labour Party today in an outspoken meeting which observers expected to produce a Cabinet reshuffle soon.

Mr. Attlee went before the Party to coordinate his forces for the three-day debate in the Commons on Government's economic White Paper. Labour holds 393 of the 640 seats in the House and Mr. Attlee is expected to tell his Party not to abstain from voting in the debate for any reason.

Reports leaking from today's Labour Party meeting said a back bench, levelled criticism against several members of the Cabinet.

These reports said Food Minister John Strachey and Minister of Trade Sir Stafford Cripps came under fire. One back bench referred to Strachey, who recently concluded an agreement in Washington to purchase United States surplus of turkeys, as "Turkey Strachey."

Sir Stafford, not over-popular with his Party and definitely unpopular with the Opposition and large sections of the British press, was criticised for his administration of the Board of Trade. It is understood it was suggested that he be removed as President of the Board of Trade and made Lord President of the Council and leader of the House in place of Mr. Herbert Morrison at present ill with thrombosis. The latter, in turn, would be made President of the Board of Trade if and when his health permits his return to politics.

Strong Man

Mr. Morrison's malady is considered a bad break for him. Insiders said Mr. Morrison had hoped when the inevitable attack on Government is launched by the Conservatives to emerge as the undisputed strong man of his Party. They said he had hoped to establish himself as Prime Minister should Mr. Attlee, who incidentally enjoys the overwhelming confidence of Labour's rank and file at present, step down.

Now with Mr. Morrison sick and Mr. Ernest Bavin in Moscow, the Labour Party fell back on its "second turret" of big guns to answer the booming fire expected from the Tory front bench.

Tragedy In The Harbour

One European and two Chinese members of the Water Police were drowned as result of a collision in the harbour early yesterday morning.

They were Sub-inspector Alexander Paul Zarembo, 36, Tsung Heng (Chinese engineer No. 17) and Ngai Fo Lum (Chinese Stoker No. 74).

The tragedy occurred when the police launch in which they were travelling on harbour patrol duty was involved in a collision with the as Tai-po-shan, which was entering harbour from Foochow at 5 a.m.

There were three survivors—all Chinese members of the crew.

The Tai-po-shan is a coastal steamer of some 2,000 tons and is owned by the Shun Cheong Steamship Co.

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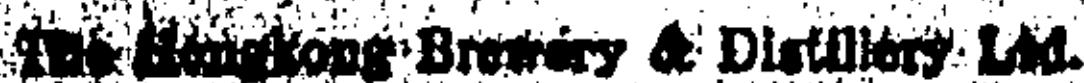
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MAGISTRATE RAISES INSPECTOR'S BAIL

At the conclusion of the Lower Court hearing of the case in which Benedict Lee Kin is being charged with procuring Leung Kai to demand on divers dates a bribe of \$50, the Examining Magistrate, Mr. H. W. Latimer, granted the Crown's application for the defendant's bail to be increased from \$10,000 to \$20,000 (half in cash and the other half in two sureties), should the defendant fail to produce the necessary bail, further directed the Magistrate, he was to be held in custody until his appearance before the High Courts at the Sessions.

In granting the application, His Worship said that he was confident that when his learned brother-magistrate, Mr. Blair-Kerr, originally fixed bail at \$10,000 he was not in possession of the full facts of the case and was, therefore, unaware of the seriousness of the charge. Mr. Latimer expressed confidence that if Mr. Blair-Kerr had known what had been revealed in the hearings, he would have taken an entirely different view.

Personally, continued Mr. Latimer, he always takes a most serious view of cases of the nature before the Court, and, in the present case, felt that he could not possibly grant bail at under \$20,000.

Another highlight of yesterday's hearing was the minute description given by Leung Kai, who was formerly charged with demanding by force with intent to steal \$50 per month from two Kwok-fai as protection fee for the Kowloon Traffic Department, and who was later discharged to turn Crown Witness, of the alleged system of graft adopted by accused who was a Chinese Sub-Inspector in the Traffic Department.

Evidence was also tendered by nine lorry drivers and owners regarding the alleged demands made on them by Lee Kin, through Leung Kai or, in some alleged cases, direct.

He paid over \$100, said witness, as the result of which, he did not receive the threatened summons for speeding.

Owner-driver of lorry 5531 Wong Tai-kau, residing at 7 Main Street, On Long, stated that on the 26th day of the 12th month he was driving his lorry from Yau-mat to Shamshuipo when he was stopped by accused and told that he was carrying an excessive number of passengers and that he had no right to place the small cart on the lorry. Three days after he was fined \$10 he received a report from one of his drivers as the result of which he called on the defendant at 302 Nathan Road, second floor, where he saw Lee Kin and was told that everybody was paying money on their vehicles and that he, witness, had to pay \$40 for his. He paid this sum and another \$40 about a month later, declared witness.

Leung Fat-yung testified that after some bargaining the \$80 demanded by accused for expenses for his two lorries, 5118 and 5122, was reduced to \$50. Defendant, said witness, threatened that if the money was not paid, action would be taken against him for obstruction, speeding, and breaches of the Traffic Regulations.

For having two passengers in the driver's cab, Tang Chak, driver of 5458, had his licence number taken down by defendant, according to his evidence. He asserted that he was asked by Lee to request his employer, who also owned lorries 5222 and 5223, to call at 302 Nathan Road, second floor. As the owner did not go, said witness, he turned up instead and was told by accused that he had to pay \$50 per lorry per month. He bargained and finally reduced the amount to \$100 for the three lorries, which sum was duly paid.

Accused's Friend

The following month, said witness, he was in Shamshuipo Street when Leung Kai went up to him and told him that the time was up and that he had better pay his dues. As Leung was a stranger to him he asked why he should contribute and was told by Leung that Lee had sent him to collect in connection with the three lorries.

Yip Tim, lorry driver, and his employer Lau Sam also gave evidence, after which Leung Kai, unemployed, of 99 Nan Chang Street, second floor, took the witness stand.

He declared that he knew accused before the war but became friendly with him only since September, 1946, when they began to visit each other, go out to lift, and rides on Lee's motorcycle combination. After stating that he sometimes collected up on by Lee to assist in collecting the number of passengers on lorries looking up drivers of vehicles to be summoned, and collecting various sums of money on behalf of Lee, witness went on to allege that the various collections he allegedly made on behalf of accused.

On Feb. 12 or 13 he called on Lee's house and handed to him \$80 which were collected from lorries 5505, 5290, and 5210, said witness, who went on to state that he also collected how much he should collect from lorry 5559 which was on the Mong Kok—Sai Kung run. He was told, said witness, \$50 per month. He went to see the driver the following day and told him: "Everybody is paying inspectors \$50 per month. As regards your lorry, you have to pay \$50 a month. When the driver told him that he had no money, continued witness, he wrote down his address with instructions for the master to call on him.

He received \$50 from lorry 5218 in return for which Lee cancelled the summons against the driver, alleged Leung Kai. Lorry 5530 paid \$40 monthly, while \$30 per month was made by lorry 5071. Witness further declared that he was instructed by Lee to call on the driver of lorry-bus 5058 and inform him

that if paid \$30 per month, Inspector Lee might cancel the summons against him.

On payment of \$40 per month, said witness, the summons against the driver of lorry 5596 was withdrawn \$30 per month was, alleged witness, collected from lorry 5505.

Driver of lorry 5843 was summoned twice as he twice refused to call on Lee when told that action would be taken against him, said Leung Kai. Finally, declared witness, the driver agreed to pay \$10 per week.

Other payments allegedly received by witness on behalf of accused were from lorries 5123 (\$40), 5122 (\$30 per month), 5391 (\$10 per week), and 5173 (\$10 per week). In connection with lorry 5133, witness said that only one payment was made, whereupon on the 3rd day of the 1st month Lee took down the licence number of the lorry and told the driver that he would be summoned. On the following day the owner called at witness' house and asked him to persuade Inspector Lee to forget the case and he would continue the payments.

Lee, alleged witness, refused to do so stating that as he (the owner) had skipped his payments he must be taught a lesson.

"Black Market"

Continuing, Leung Kai declared that on the instructions of Lee Kin he took down the licence number of lorry 5562 (on the Mong Kok-Tsuen Wan run) for speeding. He later went to see the owner to inform of the pending action against him, when he was prepared to pay \$40 to have the summons stopped and \$40 each month thereafter to stop further trouble.

In his note book, declared witness, were several tens of numbers, including those of "black market buses", which were given him by Lee with instructions to contact the owners and/or drivers for the purpose of collecting funds.

Witness then went on to corroborate the evidence of Lee Wah-yiu regarding the \$500 loan, emphasizing that it was on Lee's specific instructions that he did not give the visiting card to Lee Wah-yiu.

On the close of the Crown's case, after evidence of arrest had been given by Inspector Danks, Mr. Shafrin submitted that a very strong case had been made out against the accused. He referred His Worship to his application to Mr. Blair-Kerr, when accused was formally charged, to have bail fixed at \$20,000, and recommended Mr. Latimer that it was on the representation of Mr. Silva that the amount was reduced to \$10,000.

Mr. Shafrin further reminded His Worship of three recent cases where accused all forfeited bail.

NOTICE

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB

Members now resident in the Colony are hereby notified that unless their names are registered with the Secretary by 1st April, 1947, they will be considered as having resigned from the Club and will lose all privileges and rights of membership.

Likewise, members returning to the Colony in the future will be required to register their names within one month of the date of their arrival in order to retain membership of the Club.

By Order of the Committee.
D. W. MUNTON,
Secretary.

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and added that he would like to see public servants booked on such serious charges as bribery and corruption take their trial before a Judge and Jury. He submitted that in view of the evidence adduced by the Crown, the bail should be increased to the original sum named by him, namely \$20,000.

In opposing the application, Mr. Silva reminded His Worship that accused had consistently appeared in Court, even after the last hearing when the Crown produced its star witness.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG
ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
MISCELLANEOUS PROCEEDINGS
No. 9 of 1947.

IN THE MATTER OF
Tung On Steamship Company Limited
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IN THE MATTER OF
the Companies Ordinance 1932.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition presented to the Supreme Court of Hong Kong on the 21st day of February 1947 for confirming the reduction of the capital of the abovesaid Company from \$2,000,000 divided into 25,000 shares of \$80 each to \$1,250,000 divided into 25,000 shares of \$50 each by paying back to the shareholders the sum of \$80 per share out of the accumulated profits of the Company, the capital proposed to be paid off being in excess of the wants of the Company is directed to be heard before His Honour Sir Henry William Butler Blackall, Chief Justice, on Tuesday, the 26th day of March 1947 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Any creditor or shareholder of the Company desiring to oppose the making of an order for the reduction of the capital of the said Company under the above Ordinance should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his counsel for that purpose. A copy of the petition will be furnished to any creditor or shareholder of the Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charges for the same.

Dated this 1st day of March 1947.
WOO & WOO,
Solicitors for the abovesaid Company.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
s.s. "Wingsang" from Shanghai and Keelung arrived 26.2.47
s.s. "Wosang" from Shanghai arrived 28.2.47
s.s. "Mausang" from Shanghai arrived 6.3.47

Consignees of cargo ex the above vessels are advised that survey of damaged packages landed into the West Point premises of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. will be examined there in the presence of consignees by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th March, 1947 at 10.00 a.m.

No claims for damaged cargo will be accepted if damage is not surveyed at the appointed time by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas and consignees are hereby warned accordingly.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LTD.
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Hong Kong, 8th March, 1947.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

It is hereby notified that the following Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction will be held at the Office of the Public Works Department on Monday, the 17th day of March, 1947, at 3 p.m.

Sale Conditions may be obtained and sale plan inspected at the Office of the Superintendent of Crown Lands and Surveys, Lower Albert Road.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Location	Boundaries	Area in sq. ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 3501	Shun Ning Road between Tunkin Street and Pratas Street	As per sale plan	23,100	\$635	\$24,650

Immediately after the fall of the hammer, the purchaser shall according to the Conditions of Sale pay to the Auctioneer in cash the sum of \$6,930.00.

V. KENNIF, Director of Public Works.

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2	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 3502	Shun Ning Road between Pratas Street and Camp Street	As per sale plan	42,900 (about)	\$1,192	\$24,650

Immediately after the fall of the hammer, the purchaser shall according to the Conditions of Sale pay to the Auctioneer in cash the sum of \$12,870.00.

V. KENNIF, Director of Public Works.

Hong Kong, 28th February, 1947.

CHINESE ESTATES, LIMITED.

TWENTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office at China Buildings (5th floor), Hong Kong, on Friday the 28th March, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Account for the year ending the 31st December, 1946, and of electing three Directors and an Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 28th March, 1947, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

WONG WOON NAM
Secretary
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1947.

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Hong Kong, 8th March, 1947.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE

THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING, 1947

The Meeting advertised for Saturday, 8th March, 1947, has been postponed until Saturday, 15th March, 1947.

All previous arrangements as to Time and Entries, together with Admission Tickets and Cash Sweep Tickets, including Through chances already booked will hold good for that date.

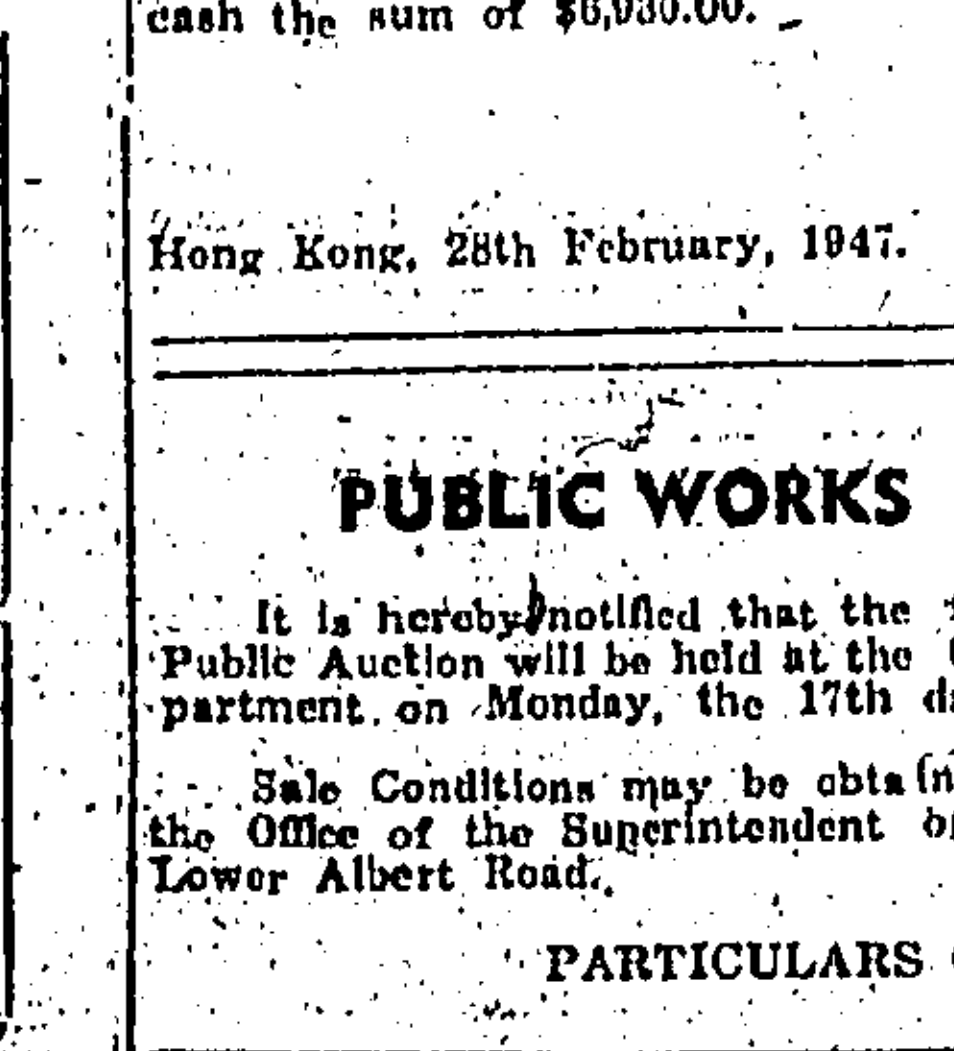
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Owners are notified that all starting declarations are cancelled. Ponies, starting on Saturday, 15th March, will require to be declared in the usual manner.

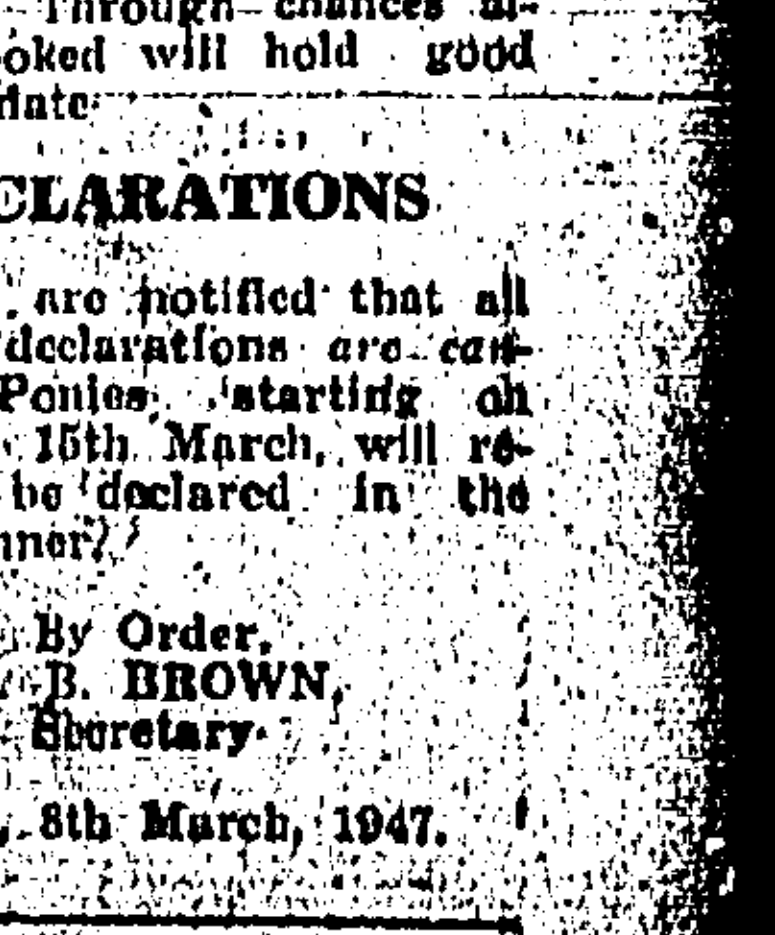
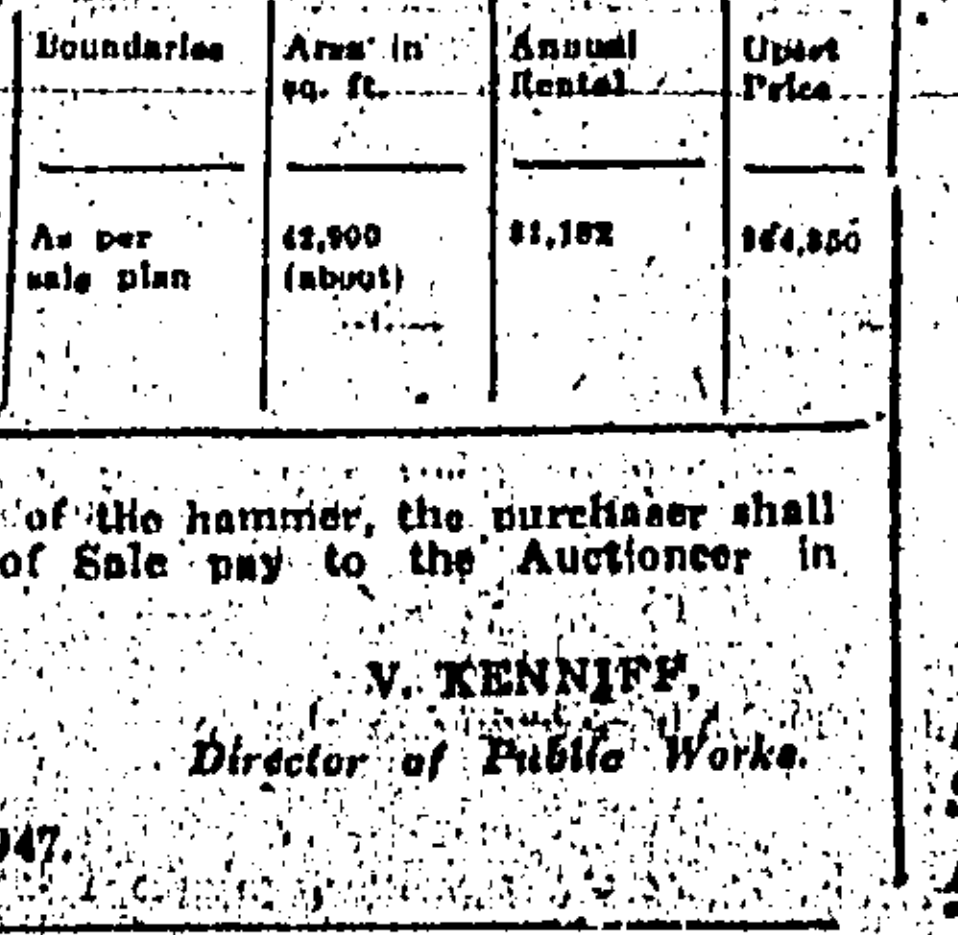
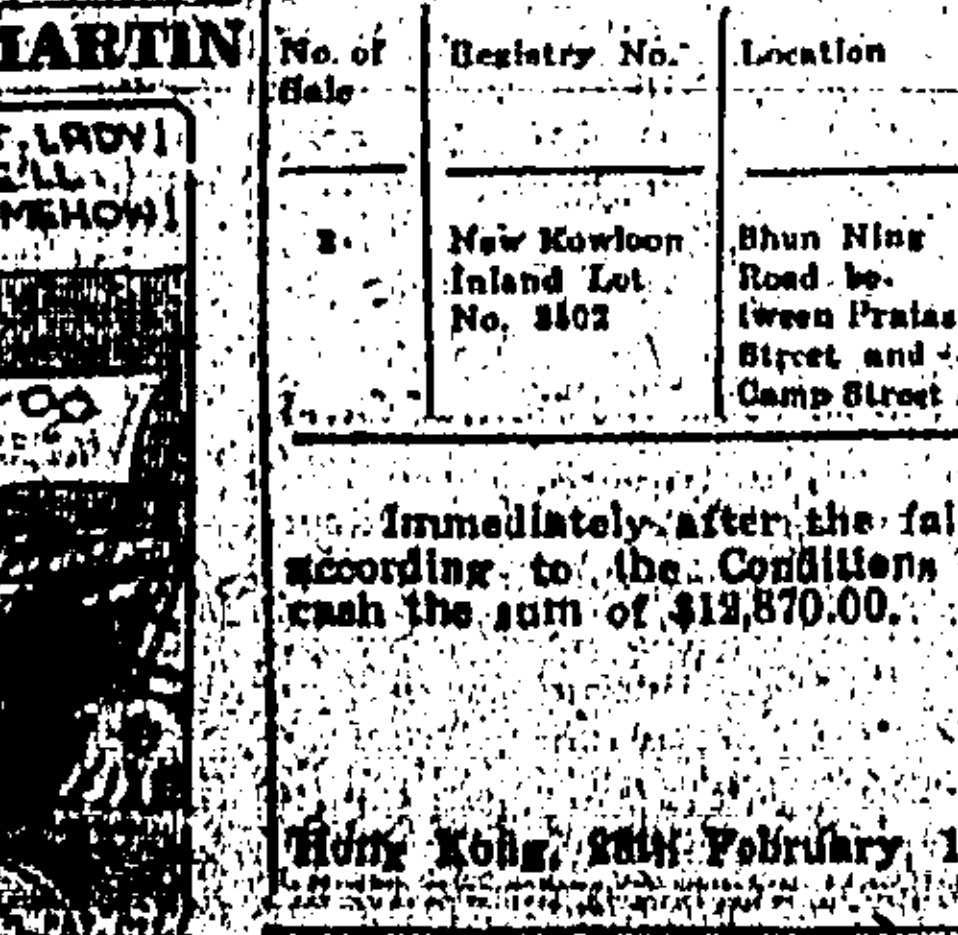
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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING

SATURDAY, 15th March 1947

(Postponed from Saturday, 8th March 1947)

The First Race will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through members (8 Races—\$10) may be obtained at the Office of the Club, 1st Floor Exchange Building, also tickets for the 3rd Extra Race Meeting (\$200) on the last race.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.
Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.
NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all clubs, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3, including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.
Bookmakers, Tax Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.
Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

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EVE OF MOSCOW CONFERENCE

Opening Date Of Talks Still Not Fixed

Bitter Attack In Soviet Press

Moscow, March 9.
On the eve of the Foreign Ministers Conference, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Vyacheslav Molotov, both celebrated their birthday today and exchanged greetings and congratulations. Mr. Bevin is 66 and M. Molotov is 57.

Moscow glittered in sunshine on the winter's warmest day and snow melted to slush on the pavements.

The Moskva Hotel, headquarters of the three visiting delegations, was today humming with preparations for the opening, though nobody knew exactly when this would take place. The visiting delegations are understood to be anxious for work to start as early each day as possible.

M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, and his party arrived by train at noon today and were met by M. Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet deputy Foreign Minister.

M. Bidault, accompanied by his wife who wore a light blue coat and fur, was greeted by a score of allied diplomats.

Several hundred Russians looked on with curiosity from an over-hanging balcony as he and M. Vyshinsky shook hands vigorously and film cameras turned.

Austrian Treaty

M. Vyshinsky and General Walter Bedell Smith, United States Ambassador to Moscow, then hurried off together to the airport in time to meet the plane from Berlin, which brought General George Marshall, Secretary of State, and some of his advisers, including Mr. John Foster Dulles, Mr. Robert Murphy, Mr. Benjamin Cohen, State Department Counselor, and Mr. H. Freeman Matthews, Director of the European Division of the State Department.

General Mark Clark, chief of the Occupation Forces in Austria, and other advisers were expected later.

General Marshall, a tall dignified figure in a fur-collared camel hair coat and grey hair, was greeted by the French, British, Chinese, Turkish and Greek ambassadors and other diplomats.

There is known to be a keen desire among members of the visiting delegations here to see the Austrian treaty pushed to completion as it reached a more advanced stage than other work of the deputies in London and prospects of early success are considered far better than on the German treaty.

Some observers believe, therefore, that the Austrian treaty will have attention early in the conference sessions.

Ministers Confident

General Marshall and M. Bidault both expressed confidence in the success of the conference.

Recalling his wartime visit to Moscow, M. Bidault said: "I now return in peace time to participate in the steps to ensure that the common enemy cannot rise again. It is with full confidence in the outcome of the Moscow conference and in its success that I am here again."

Speaking into a microphone on arrival, General Marshall said: "We are here on a mission of tremendous importance and consequences. There have been many difficulties as you all know and undoubtedly there will be difficulties here. But they have all been met successfully and I am confident that we shall be able to overcome them and reach an agreement which will greatly advance the cause of peace in which we are all so much interested."—Reuter.

Soviet Attack

Moscow, Mar. 10.
The authoritative Soviet Magazine "New Times" in a long series of articles bitterly attacked the American and British policy on Germany and Austria and criticized three prominent members of the American delegation attending the conference.

The magazine, which generally devotes most of its articles to matters concerning Russian foreign policy, also indicated its fulsome opposition to the Western powers' plan for a "Federalized Germany."

Three of Secretary of State Marshall's closest advisers—General Mark Clark, John Foster Dulles and Brig. General William D. Draper—were mentioned by the magazine.

The "New Times" launched its main article with an attack on an exposition recently published in the "London Times"

on the position of the western powers.

It described the British and American plan for a federalized political structure in Germany as "a foggy formula" and a means whereby the western capitalists meant to seize the main resources of the western zones of Germany while erecting a "Chinese Wall" between the eastern and western zones.

"Old Wolf"

The magazine added it was a question whether Germany was going to be a "peaceful state or a vassal of imperialism."

It upbraided Dulles for his proposals concerning Germany and characterized Winston Churchill as "the old experienced wolf of British imperialism."

Charging that the main aim of the British and American forces in their bizonal economic merger and loans to Germany under the import and export problem was to "rescue at all costs the reactionary forces of Germany and their economic bases from liquidation," the article concluded by asserting that the ambitions of the narrow monopolistic groups are dictating the plans for Germany's state organizations.

"This baneful policy must be energetically repulsed by all forces of democracy and progress."

The views of the "New Times" are read closely by foreign Embassies in Moscow as a straw in the wind suggesting the Soviet policy.—Associated Press.

MUTINY OF PARATROOPERS

Haifa, Mar. 9.
Sentence will be pronounced in due course on eleven young British paratroopers accused of mutiny, was announced today when a three-day Field General Court-Martial ended in Haifa tonight.

All eleven were charged with disobeying an order to make up their beds and lay out their kit on Nov. 15.—Reuter.

Women Of The World, Unite!

Berlin, Mar. 9.
Dr. Anne-Marie Durand-Wever, Berlin physician who believes that women of the world must prevent another war, today was elected President of the "Democratic Women's League of Germany" at the closing session of the "German Women's Congress for Peace."

The three-day conference in Berlin's state opera house was attended by visiting delegates of the "International Women's Federation" from Russia and France and by British, Russian and American Military Government observers.

More than 2,000 women delegates represented all four zones of Germany.

The grey-haired 61-year-old Dr. Durand-Wever, who graduated from the University of Chicago in 1910, told the conference that the aims of the League were to assure maintenance of peace and to look after women's interests.

"I think that no woman wants war and thus I feel that the German Women's League might make progress in assuring peace and bringing about international understanding."

Dr. Durand-Wever was the co-founder of the German Union of Women Physicians and led a campaign for birth control.—United Press.

U.S. AT-BOMB MONOPOLY TO END?

London, Mar. 9.
The British mathematician and philosopher, Mr. Bertrand Russell said today that the American monopoly on the atomic bomb would not last more than five years.

He asserted a world Government is mandatory if the new scientific world is to survive, and added: "Either we must consent entirely to a novel form of political-military organization or we must expect a world-wide disaster surpassing in horror all that the past in misfortune has enabled us to imagine."

He said that within five years all industrialized nations, which have access to adequate supplies of uranium and thorium, would have atomic bombs.

He said there are two ways in which a world Government may be created. "The better way is by an agreement between the nations; the easiest way by supremacy of a nation."

Mr. Russell added it was clear that the dominant power, if there were one, would either be America or Russia.—United Press.

CANKAR REMOVED

Belgrade, Mar. 9.
Dr. Isidore Cankar, Yugoslav Minister to Greece, who has been in Belgrade for several months, has been relieved of his duties.

The First Secretary and Charge d'Affaires of the Yugoslav Legation in Athens, Dr. Gokovic, who also returned to Belgrade several months ago, is expected to return to his post shortly.

In January, the Yugoslav Government announced that it had decided to recall its military attaché in Athens "in consideration of the circumstances."—Reuter.

8-YEAR OLD ENGLISH BOY BECAME A G.I.

London, Mar. 9.
All 11-year-old English boy who "joined" the United States Army when only eight and was adopted as a mascot by an engineering unit, with whom he stayed during the fighting in southern France, around Paris and on to Berlin, today was providing a problem for the police and immigration authorities at Newhaven, Sussex.

Speaking with a strong American accent and giving his name as Richard Lawrence from Feltham, Middlesex, he was picked up by British Military Police in Paris last week. Sent back to Newhaven under escort, he immediately escaped on landing in England, getting as far as Brighton before he was recaptured.

The boy said his first contact with the Americans occurred outside a hotel in the Midlands after he escaped from reform school. After telling the Americans he was an orphan, he was invited by the soldiers to join them.

According to Richard's story, he was smuggled in a barracks bag aboard an aircraft which flew from an airfield near Birmingham to the Continent. The engineering unit, with which he found himself adopted him as a mascot and he remained with them through the fighting, having narrow escapes from bombing and shelling on several occasions.

"Big Shot"

"Gee, I was quite a big shot," the young, pale-faced Richard told the press in a perfect Brooklyn accent. "I got the hang of Russian and German in no time at all and used to interpret for the fellows. After the war was over, I had a wonderful time. My buddies were swell guys."

Richard was given a specially tailored uniform and Army kit, divisional flashes and campaign ribbons and a special travelling pass. After the armistice, he travelled with his unit through France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. When his unit was ordered to return to the United States, Richard became scared and jumped a troop train at Kiel. At Frankfurt he joined an American military police unit which he knew, but finding things different there, he left.

Gambling Should Be Nationalized

London, Mar. 9.
Will Nally, Labour Member of Parliament, has called for state-operated gambling to "protect the people against the swarm of parasites who infest the gambling industry."

"Nationalization of gambling," he declared in a statement, "is likely to command almost universal political support."

Nally predicted the whole question of football pools and other betting soon would be discussed by the Parliamentary Labour Party.

Newspaper estimates have placed the "grand total expenditure on the most popular forms of gambling" in Britain at approximately \$2,500,000,000 annually.—Associated Press.

Quads Boost 2-Year Plan

Prague, Mar. 9.
Quadruplets were born yesterday in the village of Bohotin, North Moravia, to Mrs. B. Cikryta, who had previously borne two sets of twins and one set of triplets.

The Communist daily, "Rude Prava," said: "This is a wonderful contribution to the success of the two-year plan."—United Press.



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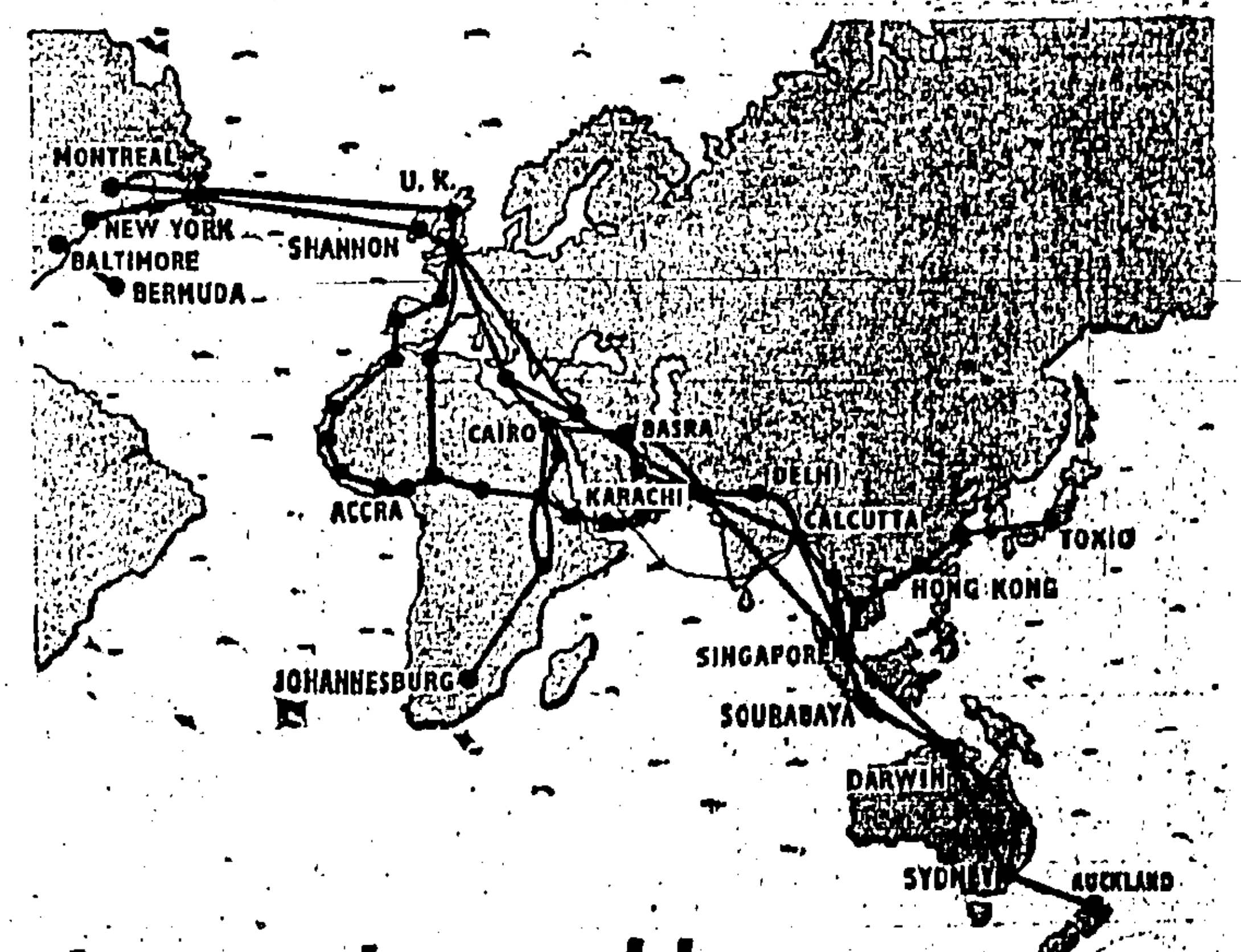
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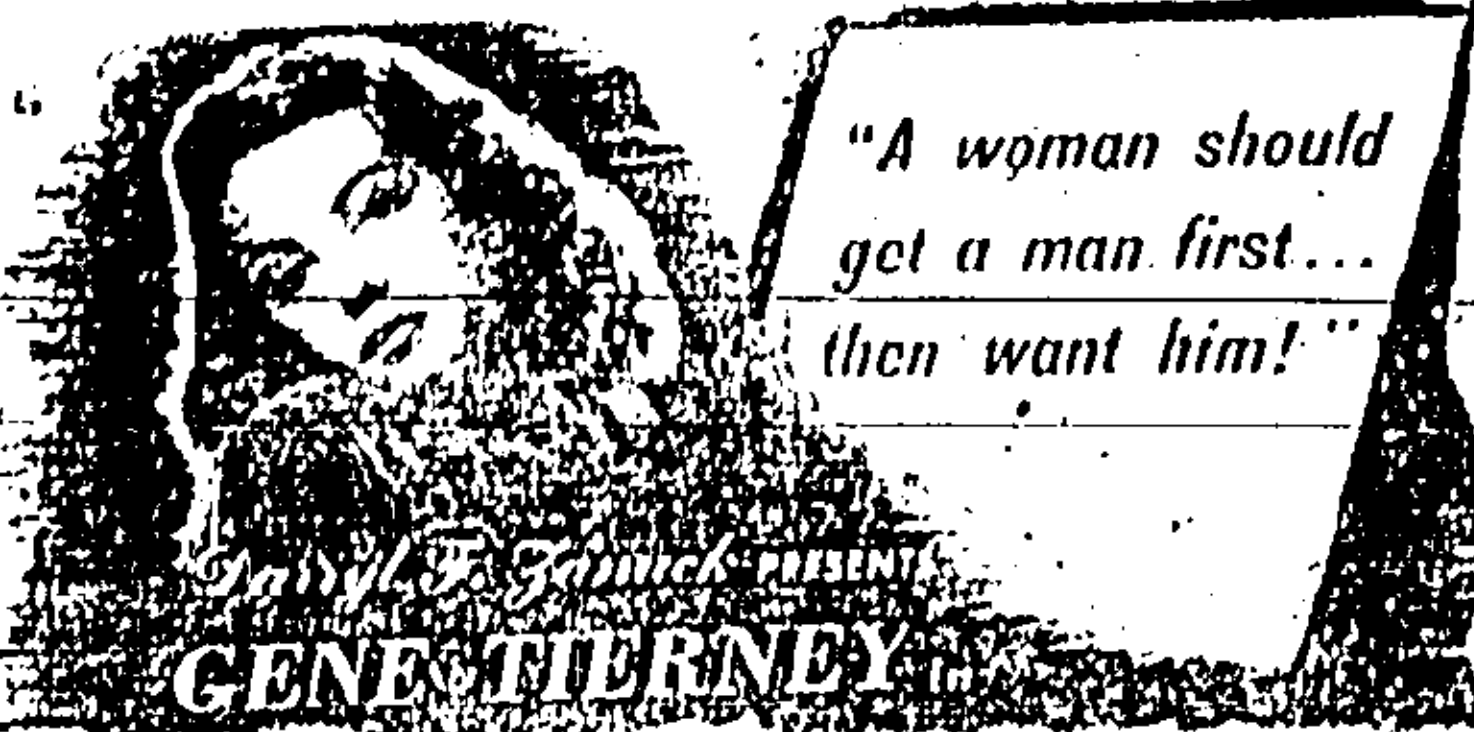
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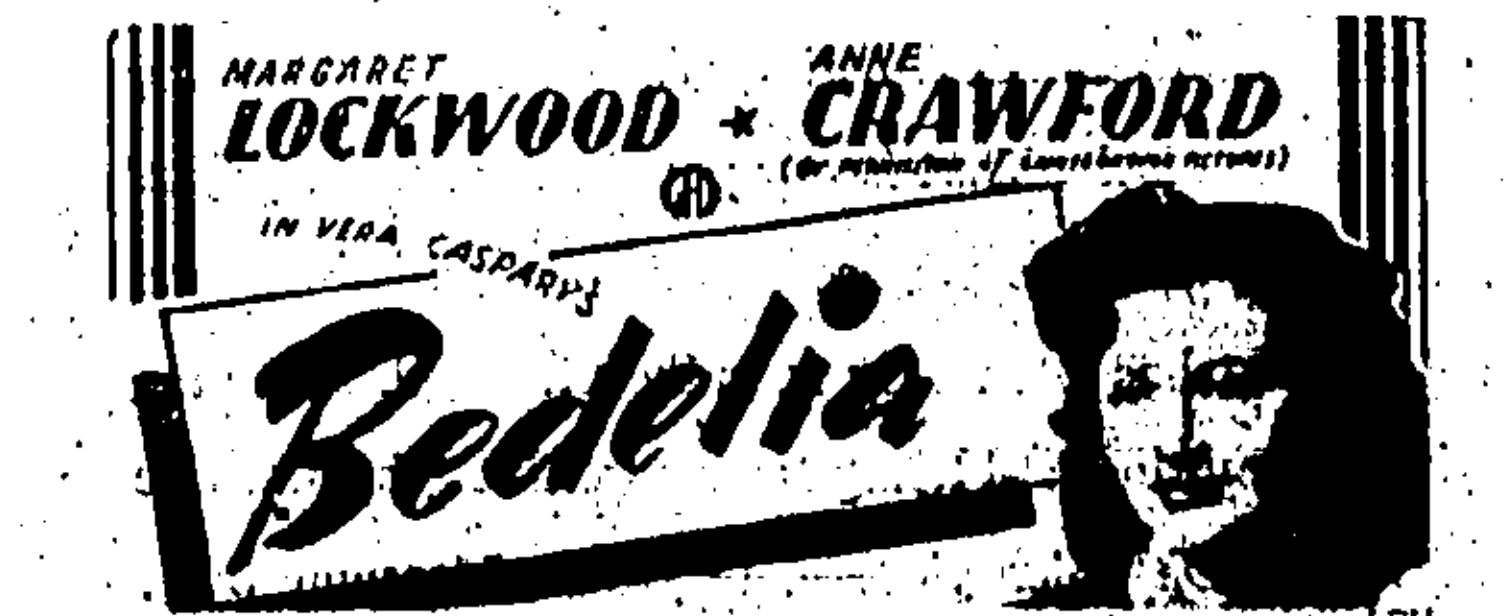
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EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF POPE'S CORONATION

Vatican City, Mar. 9.
One of the most colourful ceremonies of the
Roman Catholic Church will mark the eighth
anniversary of the coronation of Pope Pius XII
on Wednesday in Michael Angelo's famed
Sistine Chapel.The Pope observed his 71st
birthday and eighth anniversary
of his election to the Pontificate
on March 2 but no ceremony
marked the occasion. On Wed-
nesday the anniversary will be
commemorated with an official
Church holiday and a ceremony
faithful to the traditions of
the Church.The Pope himself faced a
busy week with opening of the
secret and public consistory on
Monday for the canonisation of
three French, one Swiss and
one Italian saint. He will de-
liver a short address to the
cardinals during the secret
meeting. The public consistory
is open only to certain ec-
clesiastical authorities.The anniversary of the
coronation will be observed in
the tiny Vatican State by a
solemn Papal Chapel to be held
in the presence of the Pontiff.

High Mass

At 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday
the ceremony begins when all
cardinals present in Rome meet
in the Borgia Hall in the
Vatican Apostolic Palace. There
they will don silken red robes
decorated with white ermine,
and await the arrival of the
Pope.The Papal procession proceeds
to the Sistine Chapel where
a high mass will be recited by
Benedetto, Cardinal Aloisi
Masella, the first cardinal
elected by the Pope who is atpresent in Rome. Patriarchs,
archbishops and bishops,
secretaries of sacred and re-
ligious congregations, apostolic
dignitaries and consistorial
lawyers—all garbed in multi-
coloured costumes designed in
the Middle Ages—will from the
Papal procession.The latter group will wait
in the Hall of Paramenti and
join in the procession as the
cardinals pass by with the
Pontiff high on the gestatorial
chair. Swiss guards in their uni-
forms designed by Michel
Angelo will lead the group,
bearing halberds and wearing
shining silver breast plates.**Intimate Ceremony**
The noble guards of the
Pope, selected from the
proudest Roman aristocracy, in
long white patent leather boots,
tight white deer skin trousers
and fitted blouses, will march
beside the gestatorial chair
with drawn sabres.Once inside the chapel,
famous for its decorations of
15th century frescoes executed
by the most celebrated Un-
derman and Florentine masters,
the Pontiff will don his robes
of rank and attend mass, facing
Michael Angelo's famous Last
Judgment over the altar wall.After the Papal Chapel the
procession will lead the way
back to Borgia Hall.In the Hall of Paramenti,
the Pope will receive in an intimate
(Continued at foot of next Col.)

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW

Liverpool, Mar. 9.
A shuttle service of five
of the largest troopships sail-
ing from the Mersey will
operate between Liverpool
and the Far East from next
Saturday until May, speeding
up the home-coming of over-
due leavers of thousands of
service personnel—Reuters.

Swedish Trade Talks

London, Mar. 9.
Experts attached to the Swe-
dish Trade Delegation, which is
due to begin talks with the Brit-
ish Government at the end of
this week, will arrive here from
Stockholm by air tomorrow.
After preliminary work by the
experts, there will be negotiations
for the purchase of textiles, iron
and steel from Britain and also
of British paper pulp and
timber, suitable for use in the
construction of houses.It is not yet known whether
the discussions will cover the
purchase of prefabricated houses
of which 5,000 have already been
imported and put up in the
United Kingdom.Sweden has a credit balance of
between £35,000,000 and £40,-
000,000, representing excess pur-
chases made by Britain mostly
since the end of the war—Reu-
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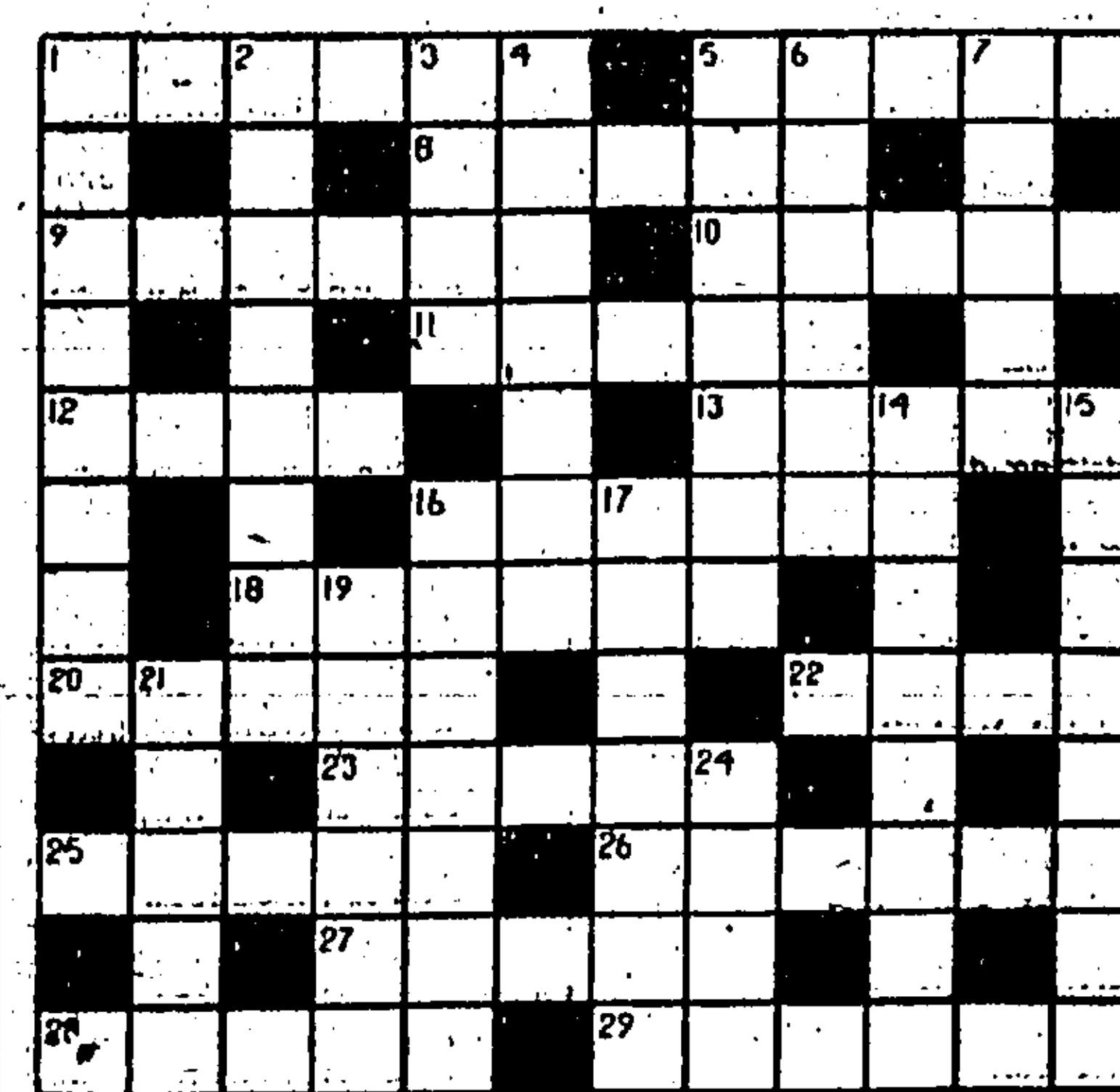
Brazilian Railways

Rio de Janeiro, Mar. 10.
The Transport Minister, Senhor
Closa Pestana, yesterday con-
firmed reports that Brazil is
planning to take over ownership
of some British railways and
utilities in Brazil.
Senhor Pestana said that the
plan includes Leopoldina and
Great Western railways, and the
Light and Power and tramway
companies of the northern cities
of Belém, Manaus and Port
Alexa.The Minister added that the
recent similar action by Argen-
tina had not influenced Brazil,
which was negotiating directly in
England through her Embassy in
London—Associated Press.ceremony all cardinals and
archbishops who attended the
ceremony. Then they will pre-
sent their homage and con-
gratulations.The Papal anniversary is
quite a day in the Vatican.
Gaily decked with the yellow
and white Papal flag, the tiny
state observes the anniversary
with reserved rejoicing. All of-
fices are closed and the 500
citizens of the state have a day
of rest dedicated mostly to pray-
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5. Incline to believe.
8. Allude.
9. Enemy.
10. Sound.
11. Fundamental.
12. Incautious.
13. Frighten.
16. Pleased.
18. Withdraw.
20. New.
22. Measure.
23. Lukewarm.
24. Experiment.
25. The movies.
27. Racing tips.
28. Foreign.
29. Mowing implement.

Clues Down

1. Rabble.
2. Urgency.
3. Kind of horse.
4. Capable of being held.
5. Turn aside.
6. Portent.
7. Pipe.
10. Unite.
11. Again.
12. Emend.
13. Down.
14. Supporter.
15. Not excessive.
16. Military formation.
17. Devotees.
18. Property.
21. Rustic.
24. Flat plate.
26. Rapped.
28. Easily.
29. Eons.

Yesterday's Crossword

- ACROSS:—1. Access; 5. Clasp; 9. Hero; 9. Seaman; 11. Crave; 12. Remark; 14. Pile; 16. Dress;
- DOWN:—1. Also; 2. Chor; 3. Sham; 4. Senate; 5. Cockade; 6. Amused; 7. Perceps; 10. Merit; 13. Mundane; 14. Pillage; 15. Learned; 17. Rags; 19. Ripens; 21. Fast; 22. Dirt; 23. Dyce.

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Britain's First "Manpower Budget" Before Commons

London, Mar. 9. Britain's first economic or manpower "budget" will be presented to the House of Commons tomorrow by the President of the Board of Trade, Sir Stafford Cripps, in a speech which will be presented to the House of Commons to He will talk about the grave situation outlined in the economic White Paper and remedies which are put forward with a strong appeal for the cooperation of workers everywhere.

There is a Government motion to approve what is proposed and to this Mr. Winston Churchill and other Conservative leaders have an amendment "regretting that full facts have so long been withheld" from the country and "expressing no confidence in the Government, whose proposals for the future are either inadequate or injurious."

If the Opposition amendment were carried it would amount to a censure motion. Hardly less strong is one by Mr. Clement Davis and eight other Liberals who "deplore the ill-fortness of the Government in appreciating the present difficulties and its failure to take proper steps in time." They demand a workable plan instead of "quite incoherent improvisations."

Backbench Critics

The debate is to cover three days and the Government spokesmen will include Prime Minister Atlee, Chancellor of the Exchequer Dalton, Minister of Defence A. V. Alexander and Minister of Labour George Isaacs.

Mr. Winston Churchill will move the Opposition motion on Wednesday. Sir John Anderson and Mr. R. A. Butler will also speak.

Before the debate opens in the House of Commons tomorrow, there will be a private meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party attended by Mr. Atlee and his leading ministers, who will hear and answer backbench criticisms. One, which comes from both pacifists and trade unionists, is that to keep over one million men in the forces when they are so badly needed in industry is absurd.—Reuter.

DEATH OF LOTTIE LENNOX

London, Mar. 10. Lottie Lennox, 74, music hall star who once owned her own country estate and gave lavishly to charities, died yesterday at the home of a grand-daughter with whom she lived.

Miss Lennox, on the stage since she was four, took part only a few weeks ago in her last variety programme, a television show of old times.—Associated Press.

Swap West Indies For Goods?

London, Mar. 9.

Norman Smith, Labour Member of Parliament from Nottingham, has offered for House of Commons debate a proposal that Britain swap her western hemisphere colonies for needed capital and goods from the United States.

There was no immediate comment from government sources.

Presumably Smith's proposal would concern such West Indies possessions as the Bahamas, Barbados, the Leeward Islands, Trinidad and Tobago and the Windward Islands as well as British Honduras.

Smith also proposed that Britain turn away from multilateral trade contracts based on currency and negotiate long-term barter agreements with countries outside the dollar area.—Associated Press.

Paris, Mar. 10. The Lord Provost of Glasgow, Sir Hector McNeill, who arrived in Paris on Saturday night, laid a wreath on the tomb of the unknown soldier at the Arc de Triomphe on Sunday morning.—Associated Press.

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Indictment Against Doctor Quashed

An order was made yesterday at the Criminal Sessions by Mr. Justice Williams (Puisne Judge) that the indictment against Dr. Chan Hoi-shan, charged with making a false death certificate contrary to Section 6, Sub-section 1 (b) of the Perjury Ordinance 1922, be quashed.

Dr. Chan was accordingly discharged, together with Yu Kau, coffin shop foki, who was charged with being an accessory before the fact to the same offence.

Mr. A. J. Clifford appeared for the Crown, while Dr. Chan was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Dr. Chan and Yu were discharged by the Chief Justice in December last, when he upheld a submission by Mr. Silva that the accused had no case to answer.

Subsequently, Dr. Chan and Yu were re-indicted and a motion was presented by Mr. Silva that this second indictment be quashed.

Yesterday, Mr. Clifford said that the first point for consideration was whether Section 16 of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance had been rightly used in this case by the Attorney General by preferring a second indictment.

Where a point of procedure was not covered by the Ordinance, the present law in force in England was applicable. In the opinion of the prosecution, the present case was specifically covered by Section 16 of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance. This section gave the Attorney General a general power to institute criminal proceedings and only limited this power to that which seemed to him legal and proper. It was noted that it was his discretionary power as to whether it was legal and proper.

The Court could only go behind that discretion if the Attorney General was plainly acting in an illegal way or through malice. Clearly, in this case, there was no such possibility. The Court could not, therefore, look behind that discretion if properly exercised.

An Absurdity

Nevertheless, that that discretion was in fact properly exercised was shown by the fact that any other procedure would be purely redundant and cause unnecessary expense and trouble, both to the accused and to the public without serving any useful purpose.

It would be plainly absurd to take the accused back to the Magistrate's Court and produce exactly similar evidence in exactly similar circumstances and thereby produce exactly similar depositions. Plainly, it was the duty of the Attorney General to avoid such absurdity.

Should, however, the Court be of the opinion that Section 16 did not give to the Attorney General power as alleged, then the gap was filled by Section 10 (3) of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance and the law was the law at present in force in England.

Under the Administration of Justice Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1933, Mr. Clifford went on, before a Bill of Indictment can be preferred either the person must be committed for trial for the offence or it must be preferred with the consent of a Judge of the High Court. If then, the Court was of the opinion that the offence had not been committed for this sessions and the commitment for the former sessions had been exhausted, then Article 2 (b) was applicable and the prosecution asked leave to apply in Chambers for consent to proceed.

Defence Argument

Mr. Clifford said that he had such an application in writing and asked leave to put such application before His Lordship in Chambers and in the event of His Lordship agreeing to that application, for an immediate return to Court for trial.

Concluding, Mr. Clifford said that it was the opinion of the prosecution that such an application was redundant and that discretionary power was given to the Attorney General under Section 16. He had properly and legally exercised that discretion and that could proceed without further action being taken. He said that when he

heard Crown Counsel reply to the first point of his original submission by pleading, without a single case authority in support of his arguments, that His Lordship should not direct that the indictment be not proceeded with because it had been considered by both the Solicitor General and the Attorney General, he discounted the argument as a stratagem of advocacy and did not even deign to answer that form of pleading.

With respect, he did not intend to discount a similar stratagem employed by Crown Counsel in argument on the third point of his submission. Mr. Silva said that he must, with emphasis, point to Crown Counsel's inability to bring a single case authority in support of his interestingly squirming argument that the Attorney General's discretion was in fact properly exercised.

Crown Counsel had argued that once proceedings had been instituted, as in this case, the Attorney General had a right on the wording of Section 16 to institute other proceedings on the documents received—twice, three, ad nauseam. However, Mr. Clifford might squeeze that particularly lemon, he could not squeeze that meaning into the words of Section 16.

Feudal Practice

Did Crown Counsel pretend that the Legislature, without limitation of time or otherwise, intended the Attorney General to have the illimitable powers of bringing the indictment two or three or four or five or six months or years later on documents received expressly committing the accused to the November sessions for trial?

If that was law, and God forbid that it was, Mr. Silva contended that it was high time that Hong Kong be freed from such feudal autocratic practices.

"If it is only Crown Counsel's personal opinion, then I admonish him, with respect, to think with the times and with modern law," said Mr. Silva.

Referring to the second part of Crown Counsel's argument under section 10 (3), Mr. Silva said that he must again draw attention to the complete lack of a single case authority in support of that extraordinary argument.

In his final submissions, Mr. Silva said that in every case reported where a plea of this nature had been taken, the Court in England directed that the prosecution be not proceeded with and did not give countenance to any suggestion that the accused be prosecuted a second time. Mr. Silva asked His Lordship in addition to quashing the indictment, to direct that proceedings not be proceeded with a third or fourth time and thus put an end to the matter.

No Authority

After a short adjournment, His Lordship delivered judgment in the following terms: "In this case, Solicitor for the defence submitted that I should quash the indictment on the grounds that there has been no commitment by the Magistrate preparatory to the present indictment."

"Counsel for the prosecution submits that there has been no irregularity in the present proceedings because under Section 16 of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance the Attorney General has very wide powers which entitle him to bring a fresh indictment any time after the receipt of the depositions from the lower Court, and even though an indictment founded on the facts contained in the same depositions has already been filed and the accused tried on such indictment."

"Admittedly, owing to the existence of the Grand Jury in England until 1933, the law which was applicable there until 1933 differs from that in Hong Kong. Counsel for the prosecution submitted, however, that

Air Marshal Arrives

Air Marshal Sir Rodger M. Hill, K.C.B., M.C., A.F.C., the Air Member for Technical Services, landed at Kai Tak yesterday afternoon in an R.A.F. Mitchell aircraft, and, after being greeted by Air Commodore S. N. Webster, C.B.E., A.F.C., Air Officer Commanding Hong Kong, and Group Captain E. A. Jones, Station Commander, Kai Tak, inspected the R.A.F. guard of honour drawn up on the airfield.

The Air Member for Technical Services is newly appointed head of the Air Council, and in this capacity the Air Marshal is engaged on a tour of India and Air Command, Far East, accompanied by his personal staff officers, Squadron Officer D. R. Pitts, and a staff of three senior R.A.F. technical officers who are due to arrive by scheduled service aircraft today.

The intentions underlying his visit are to discuss with the Air Officer Commanding and technical officers of the R.A.F. in Hong Kong proposed changes in the technical aspect of the internal organization of the R.A.F. Command, Far East, and many sub-commanding R.A.F. officers with whom the Air Marshal has conferred since his tour began on Feb. 20 at Air Marshal H. S. P. Wainwright, C.B.E., M.C., D.F.C., Air Officer Commanding in Chief India, and, less than a week ago in Singapore, the Air Commander in Chief, Far East, Air Marshal Sir George Peck, C.B.E., M.C., D.F.C.

The Mitchell aircraft in which Air Marshal Sir Rodger Hill is making his initial visit to the Far East belongs to the Empire Flying School, and is flown by a crew of Air Ministry staff officers. The Mitchell aircraft is making his initial visit to the Far East belongs to the Empire Flying School, and is flown by a crew of Air Ministry staff officers. The Mitchell aircraft is making his initial visit to the Far East belongs to the Empire Flying School, and is flown by a crew of Air Ministry staff officers.

Recent appointments in the Air Marshal's distinguished service career have included Air Officer Commanding India and Transferral in 1938; Commandant of the R.A.F. Staff College; Air Officer Commanding No. 12 Group; Commander of the R.A.F. Station, Singapore, and, most recently prior to his current appointment, Air Member for Training.

show me any authority which goes as far as that for which he now contends.

"If his contention is right, then the Attorney General may bring an indictment at any time after commitment—it might be a few months or even a year thereafter. I do not read into Section 16 any such extensive powers. It would appear to me that such contention would run counter to certain well-known principles in the administration of criminal justice—namely, that there should be a speedy trial of criminal offenders."

No Power

"The grounds on which the Attorney General may delay the filing of indictments after commitment are, in my opinion, to be found in the powers which he possesses under Section 12 of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance, and not in the power to refer documents back to the magistrate for further inquiry. Once, however, he has decided that the documents are complete, he should proceed to file the indictment for the next sessions. If there is a possibility that the defence may contend, as was done at the first trial, that a certain section is inapplicable, then the indictment should contain alternative counts."

"I hold, therefore, that after the original indictment had been dealt with, there was no power to prefer, at a later sessions, a fresh indictment on facts said to be contained in the depositions."

"On the second point contended for by Counsel for the Crown, namely that I had powers under Section 10 (3) of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance to consent to an indictment being filed against the accused, I hold against him on this point also. The powers contained in section 10 (3) enabling Courts here to follow the English practice and procedure are to be 'subject to the provisions of this Ordinance.'"

"The same powers are given to Courts in connection with civil proceedings and are familiar to the Courts in connection with proceedings under the Civil Code. But provision, in my opinion, is already made under the Criminal Procedure Ordinance for the filing of indictments."

"True, Section 16 and perhaps other sections of the Ordinance might need amendment so that the Attorney General's powers, when instituting proceedings, could be clarified. I do not, however, find any necessity to have recourse to the administration of Justice Act, 1933, for ascertaining what should be done."

"I therefore come to the conclusion that the proposition to be made that the indictment should be quashed is not

DRASTIC TAIWAN ACTION Chinese Moves To Quell Revolt

Shanghai, Mar. 10.

The Chinese press today reported that serious clashes flared up virtually in all cities along the western coast of Taiwan as the Taiwanese pressed for Governor Chen Yi's acceptance of 32 demands, including a high degree of autonomy, with Taiwanese or others who have resided in Taiwan for more than 10 years qualifying for highest posts, according to reports from Taipei (Taihoku).

Private reports received in Shanghai claimed that up to last Saturday the number of casualties had reached 10,000 and many more are believed to have been killed and wounded in fresh clashes.

The official Central News, which maintains its own radio service inherited from the official Japanese Domei Agency, reported that Taiwanese are attacking all Government offices while small groups searched and looted residences of "outsiders" which are mostly deserted as virtually all officials from the mainland are taking refuge in the heavily-guarded palatial Governor's office in the centre of the city.

General Pai Going

Reports indicated that the Taiwanese are running over the entire city without interference from the police force which comprises mainly Taiwanese. A handful of Government troops has been concentrated to protect main Government office and installations, including rail workshops.

The Taiwanese, obviously anticipating Government reinforcements to quell the rebellion, interfered with shipping at the most important port of Keelung at the northeastern tip of the island.

When Yang Liang-kung, supervisory Commissioner of the Control Yuan, arrived in Keelung under the protection of two regiments of gendarmes on Saturday evening to investigate the situation, the Taiwanese tried to halt the landing. His party was ambushed when motoring from Keelung to Taipei but the attackers were beaten off after a sharp clash in which Yang was said to have narrowly escaped injury. Yang said the attackers used small arms and grenades.

Clashes were also reported in southern and central sections of the island and the situation is now so bad that non-Taiwanese are appealing to Chen Yi to arrange for evacuation.

A Nanking dispatch said the Government is sending the Minister of National Defence, Gen. Pai Chung-hsi to Taiwan to investigate the situation.—United Press.

Drastic Action

Nanking, Mar. 10. The Central Taiwan Garrison Command today took prompt drastic suppressive action as the Taiwan riots, arising out of a cigarette incident, assumed proportions of an armed rebellion against authority of the Central Government.

The Taiwanese revolt reached a climax yesterday when their Feb. 28 incident settlement committee presented a demand to Governor Chen Yi that "all Government troops in Taiwan should immediately voluntarily disarm themselves temporarily."

This brought about prompt action from the Garrison Command, ordering this morning the immediate dissolution of all illegal organizations, banning all meetings and demonstrations and the registration of all arms in private possession on pain of severe punishment.

At the same time the army moved in to control communications, occupying telegraph and radio stations, and offices. Martial law was extended to the whole of Formosa, beginning 6 p.m. Sunday.

Radio Station Captured. The rebels captured the Taipei broadcasting station, using provocative propaganda, and instigating the Taiwanese people to join the revolt.

The Taiwan Garrison Command said in a manifesto that stern action will be taken to suppress the riots which were exploited by unscrupulous elements. The manifesto said Government offices had been occupied and destroyed, officials killed, wounded or kidnapped, and that the rebellion was spreading through Taiwan, resulting in an inestimable number of casualties.

The manifesto also called on

Doctor's Plea For Office Boy

Dr. H. Talbot, of Room 312, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, appeared as complainant before Mr. Sainsbury at Central yesterday when his office boy, Leung Tai-yau, 21, was charged with stealing \$200 on Mar. 7.

Following a report by Dr. Talbot of the theft of \$200 from his desk drawer, which was forced open, the police arrested accused, admitted the offence. Accused said he was forced to steal because a man pressed him to repay \$50 which he borrowed from Dr. Talbot.

Dr. Talbot told the Magistrate that accused had been in his employment for eight months and that he believed accused's story, since he was always honest. Dr. Talbot was willing to take accused back.

The boy was bound over in the sum of \$25 for one year.

Jive At The Star

Introducing Bernard Gordon's seven-piece band of seven lads, with honey written all over them, the new C.B.E. show "Jive in Jive" opened at the Star Theatre last night to a record audience.

The band stole the show from a better than C.B.E. variety troupe and it was particularly diverting to see the C.B.E. Star Theatre's manager, Johnny Ray, take time off from other valuable work contributions to the entertainment of a healthy score of humors in this Colony for a return to the world of "Jive."

GORDON and C.B.E. have been giving us so many accommodations over the past 12 months that the promise of another one of the programme suggests just another string of rowdy choruses. Gordon Thompson is a good, however, that the boys take time off to listen.

Cherry Sandown, the vocalist, is the most attractive feminine contribution to the programme and melts into the music with that rare type of grace that permits Jiving Jesters to retain an individuality. Pat Burke and Marjorie Tabernash round out the feminine appeal with some fancy dance stuff.

There is more swing than anything else in the show and the only comic relief comes from Jackie Norman who scores on every appearance, particularly with his James Cagney tableau.

The hokey boys are Bernard Gordon (excellent), Peter Hirst (pleasant), Johnny Connor and Bill Hayner (entertaining), Michael Parks (dramatic), Bob Chinn (travelling) and Johnny Ray (string bass). The show is one of C.B.E.'s best and should not be missed.—V.V.B.

The next meeting of the Sino-British Club will take place at St. John's Hall on Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. Owing to illness, Mr. Weinberger will not be able to attend the meeting. Mr. W. D. Jenkins, R.N., will talk on "The Work of the Royal Navy and Mercantile Marine during the war."

and the latter to \$14.45, buyers. Australian pounds were again unchanged at \$12.52.

Industrial Co-ops Doing Big Job

(By Barbara Price)

Chinese industrial cooperatives in the north present one of the most encouraging features of post-war China, according to Miss Gladys Owen, member of the National Y.W.C.A. Board, who is in Hong Kong en route to her home in Lucknow, India, after a four-month tour of northern areas.

Miss Owen, who spent some time at the Baile schools at Shan-tan and Lanchow, Kansu province, described as "marvellous" the work being done in three schools to train boys in practical education.

The schools, she explained, are among numerous co-operative ventures opened by the Chinese Government during the war to augment the nation's industrial output.

The success of the movement was first tested in wartime when much of China's industry had been wrecked by Jap bombs.

"During those years, when so many other industries were unable to function, the schools were supplying China with a good part of her war needs," Miss Owen declared.

"The boys in the schools receive a practical education. While there is some theoretical teaching, the schools are designed to teach students the use of machinery and equipment, and make it possible for them to teach others, thereby expanding the programme," she said.

Among the skills taught in the schools are weaving, spinning, stocking, soap, paper and pottery making, machinery technique, and carpentry.

A unique phase of the co-operative programme at the Kansu schools, Miss Owen said,

Hammond Retires From First-Class Cricket

London, Mar. 10.

Walter Hammond, England's cricket captain since 1938, announces his retirement from Test cricket because of pressure of business.

He is also relinquishing the captaincy of Gloucestershire, but will play for the County whenever possible.

Hammond will, of course, continue to lead Marylebone for the remainder of the Australian tour.

Hammond's statement, issued by London, says: "Pressure of business will in future prevent my playing first-class cricket as regularly as I have done in the past."

"In the best interests of the game I have therefore decided to retire from international cricket after my return from the present tour of Australia and New Zealand, and have informed the Board of Control of this wish."

The Gloucestershire secretary, Colonel H. A. Henson, announced Hammond's retirement from the County captaincy and the appointment of B. O. Allen as successor and paid tribute to Hammond's constant loyalty and consideration of the best interests of the club during his distinguished career of 27 years.

Before going to Australia for the fourth time Hammond decided that the Test series just finished would be the last of his illustrious career, so his decision is no surprise. He will be 44 in June and has been handicapped by the recurrence of fibrositis. It caused his discharge from the Royal Air Force in 1945.

Until 1937 Hammond played cricket as a professional, but later in the year turned amateur and by his appointment to lead England in 1938 against the Australians he became the first ex-professional to captain England.

Hammond played for England 84 times, making more Test appearances than any other cricketer in history and in these games scored over 7,000 runs and took 83 wickets.

He captained England in 19 Tests.—Reuter.

M.C.C. In New Zealand

Wellington, Mar. 10.

The M.C.C. found it difficult to acclimatise themselves to the sudden change-over from Australian conditions when they opened their short tour in New Zealand here today and were dismissed by a Wellington Eleven for the modest total of 176 runs in their first innings.

When Bill Voce, fast-medium bowler, took the first three Wellington wickets without a run being scored, it appeared that the tourists' total would be sufficient to force a comfortable victory but the home batsmen defended stubbornly and at the close of play were 90 runs behind with half their wickets intact.

With the exception of the opening bat, Cyril Washbrook, who was ninth out after batting three hours and 15 minutes, the M.C.C. batsmen were uncertain against the steady but not hostile attack and showed signs of travel weakness after their flight from Australia.

The brightest feature of the day was the fourth wicket partnership of 85 between the New Zealanders R. Crawford and J. Capstick.

The match is the first of the four three-day matches, including one Test, to be played in the Dominion.—Reuter.

Maybe, Later, Not Yet

Brisbane, Mar. 10.

Miss Rhonda Kelly, blonde "Miss Australia" of 1940 who last year toured Britain and the United States, yesterday announced her engagement to the sweetheart of her school days, 22-year-old Brisbane engineer, but the wedding bells would not ring for "at least two years."

Tomorrow Rhonda begins to conduct a regular women's session from a Brisbane radio station.—Associated Press.

Monoclip Cup. Competition Final between Army and Combined Services will be played on Navy ground, Culterway, Bay at 4.15 p.m. on Thursday.

Famous Cricketer Dead

London, Mar. 9.

Sir Stanley "Stonewall" Jackson, one of England's greatest cricketers, died today aged 76 after several weeks' illness.

Sir Stanley, the youngest son of the late Lord Alington, captained Harrow, Cambridge University, Yorkshire and England and played against Australia 20 times. He was President of the Yorkshire County Club and chairman of the Selection Committee which chose the England team now in Australia. He was a talented man of great ability—politician, business magnate, brilliant cricketer and also administrator.

A fearless captain, his cricket mystique was "adopt a dynamic attitude towards the game whether batting, bowling or fielding."

He was a member of the M.C.C. Committee which sent the famous cable to the Australian Cricket Board of Control during the body-line bowling controversy when the England team toured Australia in 1933.

The cable said: "We, the M.C.C. deplore your cable. We deplore your opinion that there has been no sportinglike play. We have the fullest confidence in the captain of our team and the manager."

"Stonewall" scored 15,824 runs and took more than a thousand wickets in first class cricket. During the First World War he was chosen a Member of George V's Order of the British Empire for his services to the war effort.

When Mr. Winston Churchill, who was his friend at Harrow, introduced him to Lloyd George at the House of Commons, the latter declared: "I have been looking all my life for a man who gave Winston Churchill a hiding at school."

Jackson had two narrow escapes from death. In 1932, when Governor of Bengal, a girl student fired five shots at him at close range at Calcutta University and missed. In 1940 he and Lady Jackson had a narrow escape when their London home was bombed.—Reuter.

Tennis Tourney

The first games in the First Round of the Open Tennis Singles Championship were played on the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts yesterday. Not a single game went the whole distance.

The following were yesterday's results:—Kenneth Le beat Lt. Coop 6-0, 6-2. Wong Suk-ki beat W. Stephens 6-0, 6-0. George Choa beat T. J. Gould 6-3, 6-2. Wong Hoi-nang beat Frank Kwok 6-3, 6-0.

The following is today's programme:—S. Clark v R. Ch. Liang. B. Poon v B. C. Fay. O. Rumljan v O. T. Turvill. Tsang Chi-man v R. Sagalen.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on frequency of 84 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m. and 4.30 to 11.00 p.m. and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 3.30 to 7.30 and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary, 12.45 p.m.—"Serious Music Box". 12.55 p.m.—"Artie Shaw & His Orchestra". 1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements. 1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude. 1.15 p.m.—"Ravel's Daphnis and Chloé". 1.30 p.m.—Symphonique Walter Straram Orchestra. 1.40 p.m.—From the Shows—Light Opera. 2.00 p.m.—Close Down. 2.40 p.m.—Times of Not-So-Long-Ago. 7.00 p.m.—London Relay: World News. 7.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain. 7.15 p.m.—Studio: Light Recital. 7.30 p.m.—Mabel Hester (ly. Country of the Stars) and the "Op. 10". 7.35 p.m.—Symphony Concert by the Symphony Orchestra. 8.15 p.m.—London Transference Service. 8.30 p.m.—"The British Theatre". 8.45 p.m.—"The Miracle and Morality Play". 9.00 p.m.—Light Variety. 9.00 p.m.—London Relay: News. 9.10 p.m.—Studio: "Radio Maracas". 9.15 p.m.—Studio: "Radio Maracas". 9.30 p.m.—Studio: "Radio Maracas". 9.45 p.m.—Studio: "Radio Maracas". 10.00 p.m.—The Juke Box. 10.15 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Paramount Dance Hall. 11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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